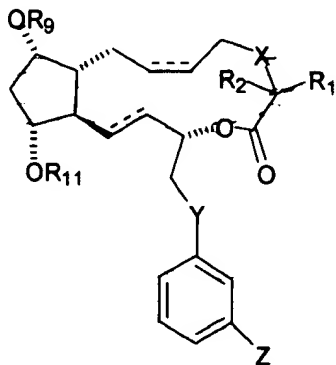


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B2 1. (Amended) A compound of the general formula:



Formula I

wherein X is O, S, NH or CH<sub>2</sub>;

R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are the same and are either H, CH<sub>3</sub> or F;

R<sub>9</sub> is H, or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> straight chain, saturated or unsaturated or branched acyl;

R<sub>11</sub> is H, or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> straight chain, saturated or unsaturated or branched acyl;

---- represents any combination of a single bond, or a *cis* or *trans* double bond;

Z is H, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>, or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> straight chain or branched alkyl; and

Y is O, S, NH or CH<sub>2</sub> provided that when R<sub>9</sub> = R<sub>11</sub> = H, X is O, S, or NH if Y is O or CH<sub>2</sub>

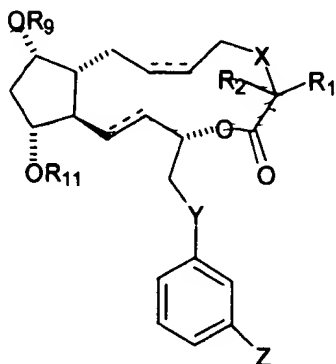
unless R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are selected to be CH<sub>3</sub> or Z is selected to be Br, I, or a C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> straight chain or branched alkyl.

B2 6. (Amended) A method of treating increased intraocular pressure in the eye of a human or animal comprising the step of:

administering a therapeutically effective amount of at least one compound of the general formula to the eye:

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Formula I

wherein  $X$  is  $O$ ,  $S$ ,  $NH$  or  $CH_2$ ;

$R_1$  and  $R_2$  are the same and are either  $H$ ,  $CH_3$  or  $F$ ;

$R_9$  is  $H$ , or  $C_1$ - $C_{20}$  straight chain, saturated or unsaturated or branched acyl;

$R_{11}$  is  $H$ , or  $C_1$ - $C_{20}$  straight chain, saturated or unsaturated or branched acyl;

--- represents any combination of a single bond, or a *cis* or *trans* double bond;

$Z$  is  $H$ ,  $Cl$ ,  $Br$ ,  $I$ ,  $CF_3$ ,  $CH_3$ , or  $C_1$ - $C_{10}$  straight chain or branched alkyl; and

$Y$  is  $O$ ,  $S$ ,  $NH$  or  $CH_2$ .

B3 8.(Amended) A topical ophthalmic composition for treating increased intraocular pressure comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a therapeutically effective amount of at least one compound of the general formula: